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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, July 31, 2017, at 4 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, JULY 28, 2017

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

Pastor Scott Poling, Harvest New Beginnings Church, Oswego, Illinois, offered the following prayer:

Lord, I pray for these who serve this Nation, for they ultimately serve You. There is no authority except from God, and these gathered here, whether they realize it or not, are Your ministers for the good of the people of the United States of America.

I pray for the men and women in this room and those who will soon fill these seats. Help them to acknowledge You, come to faith in You, look to You, and live in the fear of God and not the fear of men. Embolden them to make good godly decisions that You deem right, based on the authority of Your holy inspired word.

I especially pray for the many Representatives who are Your true children by faith in Jesus Christ. Grant them Your favor and blessing and raise them up. Give them supernatural strength through the work that they do. Give them great wisdom for the decisions they make and the direction in which they lead this Nation.

God, purify their motives, protect them from pride, help them bow, lest they break, and may they never forget Your promise: "He who honors Me, I will honor."

In Jesus' name, the only name by which we have access to Heaven, I pray.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Washington (Ms. DELBENE) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. DELBENE led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

WELCOMING PASTOR SCOTT POLING

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. HULTGREN) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. HULTGREN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today pleased to welcome Pastor Scott Poling, who graciously delivered our opening prayer in the House this morning.

For more than 20 years, Pastor Scott has faithfully led the congregation at Harvest New Beginnings Church in Oswego, Illinois, where my family and I attend.

His passion for evangelism and outreach is contagious. Those touched by his ministry have seen firsthand his en-

ergy and passion for people around the globe.

When he is not running ultra-marathons or playing tennis, he spends time expanding the church's international ministry, and has equipped African pastors with the leadership skills to carry God's truth into their congregations.

Scott and his wife, Carla, are celebrating 26 years of life-giving marriage, along with their five beautiful children.

Pastor Scott, we praise God for how your ministry has affected so many, and our legislative work is blessed by your prayers over us today.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BUCSHON) laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, July 27, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on July 27, 2017, at 6:33 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3364.

With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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